



City Council Memorandum

City of Arts & Innovation

TO: HONORABLE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL DATE: SEPTEMBER 17, 2024
FROM: PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT WARD: 6
SUBJECT: FERGUSON COURT REMOVAL OF PREFERENTIAL PARKING ZONE – RESOLUTION

ISSUE:

Consider removal of the existing Timed 1-Hour Preferential Parking Zone (PPZ) on Ferguson Court from Spaulding Drive to the northerly terminus.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the City Council adopt a resolution to remove the existing “1-Hour Parking between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, except for residents with permits” Preferential Parking Zone (PPZ) on Ferguson Court from Spaulding Drive to the northerly terminus.

BOARD RECOMMENDATIONS:

On July 3, 2024, the Transportation Board (Board) reviewed this matter; five of eight members were present. The Board voted unanimously to recommend the proposed removal of the existing “1-Hour Parking between the hours of 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. except Saturday, Sunday, and holidays, except for residents with permits” Preferential Parking Zone (PPZ) on Ferguson Court from Spaulding Drive to the northerly terminus.

BACKGROUND:

The City’s Preferential Parking Program is a neighborhood-driven program which enables eligible residential neighborhoods continually impacted by outside parking sources to pursue establishment of Preferential Parking Zones (PPZs). PPZs limit the impacts of outside source parking and increase availability of on-street parking for residents by providing permits to residents and their guests and requiring that a valid permit be displayed in vehicles parked on street within the PPZ during restricted days and times.

Removal of a PPZ requires submission of a petition from immediately impacted residents showing support from a minimum of 75% of residents for the proposed PPZ removal. Once

petition criteria have been met, the proposal is scheduled for consideration by the Transportation Board which makes a recommendation to the City Council regarding the matter.

DISCUSSION:

The Public Works Department received a petition from ninety-two percent (92%) of residents (11 of 12 residents) within the established Timed 1-Hour Parking Preferential Parking Zone (PPZ) on Ferguson Court requesting removal of the PPZ. Residents indicate that the existing PPZ was established years ago to address outside source parking from nearby La Sierra High School, which is no longer a concern, that the PPZ is an inconvenience for residents and their guests, results in costs to residents, and is no longer needed.

STRATEGIC PLAN ALIGNMENT:

This item contributes to **Strategic Priority 2 – Community Well-Being and Goal 2.4**, to support programs and innovations that enhance community safety, encourage neighborhood engagement, and build public trust.

Additionally, the proposal aligns with each of the five Cross-Cutting Threads:

1. **Community Trust** – This project is directly responsive to a resident petition requesting removal of the existing Timed 1-Hour Preferential Parking Zone (PPZ). The Traffic Engineering team moved quickly advance this report to meet neighborhood needs.
2. **Equity** – The proposed removal of the existing Timed 1-Hour PPZ will allow for parking without a permit along Ferguson Court and make on-street parking open to all legally parked vehicles.
3. **Fiscal Responsibility** – Removal of existing PPZ signage is performed by our Streets Division crews with nominal associated costs.
4. **Innovation** – This project is neutral towards this cross-cutting thread
5. **Sustainability & Resiliency** – This project is neutral towards this cross-cutting thread.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The fiscal impact of this action is \$200. Sufficient funds are available in the Public Works Department, Street Maintenance, Signing Supplies account 4110100-424143, to cover this cost.

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Attachments:

1. Resolution
2. Site Map
3. Riverside Municipal Code (RMC) Section 10.52.140
4. Preferential Permit Parking Letter Sent to Ferguson Court Residents
5. Preferential Permit Parking Application
6. Transportation Board Meeting Minutes – July 3, 2024
7. Presentation